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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Matter of:

U.S. National Phase Entry

Under 35 USC § 371 from

the International Application of

Alfred Busch et al.

Int'l Application No. PCT/US00/18561

Filed in the RO/US on 06 July 2000

Entitled: Process for Producing Particles of Amine Reaction Product

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.112

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to Examination and computation of the fees for entering the captioned International Application into the U.S. National Phase, please preliminarily amend the above-identified application as follows and consider the following Remarks.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS

Please remove the Claim multiple dependencies as follows.

Please amend Claim 3 to depend from Claim 1.

Please amend Claim 4 to depend from Claim 1.

Please amend Claim 5 to depend from Claim 4.

Please amend Claim 6 to depend from Claim 4.

Please amend Claim 7 to depend from Claim 4.

Please amend Claim 8 to depend from Claim 1.

Please amend Claim 9 to depend from Claim 1.

Please amend Claim 10 to depend from Claim 1.

Please amend Claim 11 to depend from Claim 1.

Please amend Claim 12 to depend from Claim 4.

Please amend Claim 13 to depend from Claim 4.

Please cancel Claims 21 and 24 without prejudice.

REMARKS

Claims 21 and 24 have been canceled without prejudice. The multiple dependency of Claims 3-13 has been changed.